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The reception was a welcome testimonial to the esteem in which the Jenkins are held. Al decided to take the financial advantages offered to Foreign Service Officers who accept the inducements of early retirement. He will lecture and write, occupations he enjoys. Foreign Ambassadors were present by the dozens. There was no British contingent for they had gone to the airport to meet Ted Heath.

John Small, the Canadian Ambassador, said his Government was bitter about the Indian nuclear explosion, which could not have been achieved except for previous aid given India by Canada for the creation of nuclear reactors for industrial use. Our telegraphic traffic on this subject has been immense, almost entirely condemnatory.

I finished Morrison of Peking tonight. This life of the famous London Times correspondent, later adviser to the Chinese Government, reads like a romance. Dead at fifty-eight, he had filled his life with adventure. As an almost penniless boy he walked across his native Australia. Later he became a practicing physician and surgeon. The first white man to penetrate certain portions

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Tuesday, July 23, 1974

8:45 breakfast at State with HAK -- more confidential conversation. Extraordinary personality. At the Department had talks with Graham Martin about Viet-Nam, Cambodia, and other affairs. Also met Oscar Armstrong, Bob Ingersoll, and others. Lunched at the Metropolitan Club with Paul Nitze. Dined with Paule d'Obendorff.

Wednesday, July 24, 1974

National Gallery of Art, State, Metropolitan Club. Dined alone with Kay Graham. HAK goes to San Clemente tomorrow.

Kay and I saw on television the first session of the House Judiciary Committee on Impeachment. It was an impressive show. Each speaker spoke seriously; there were many professions of "conscience searching". The anti-Nixon group obviously outnumbered greatly his few supporters. I would guess as the proceedings continue the initial high level of statements will degenerate into acrid debate between the pros and cons before a condemnatory vote is finally taken.

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Representatives will forward impeachment articles to the Senate. It was once widely held that the necessary two-thirds of the Senators present and voting for impeachment would be difficult to secure, but with the tides running as they now are the blocking minority is already losing defectors.

Thursday, July 25, 1974

Department. Little to do. Watergate, and the televised meetings of the House Judiciary Committee dominate life here.

Dined tonight with Susan Mary Alsop at the Marquis Childs'. Gloomy talk -- how could it be otherwise? One feels a participant in a gigantic national shame.

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Wednesday, August 7, 1974

The chief interest of Americans here is in reading and hearing fragmentary reports on President Nixon's impeachment process in Washington. He has now divulged the contents of tapes that prove he has consistently lied about his participation in Watergate activities.

We dined tonight at Bob Blackburn's. The guests were: Jaime Ojeda (Counselor, Spanish Embassy), Bruce Conduit (Trade Counselor, Australian Embassy), Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bertilsson (First Secretary, Swedish Embassy), Miss Margaret Cornish (Second Secretary, Canadian Embassy), F.W.M. Kroese (Chancellor, Netherlands Embassy), Miss Mary Vance Trent (Status Liaison Office Saipan), Miss Virginia Schafer (Budget and Fiscal Officer in our Mission).

Super Chinese food. Stayed late.

Thursday, August 8, 1974

The Lebanese Ambassador, Eli Boustany, an amusing, intelligent man paid me a return call this morning. He

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Harland and I consider HAK and Chou En-lai must agree on a program for peaceful settlement if it were to be effective. But is Chou physically in shape for a meeting; also, in view of his more pressing commitments, HAK cannot come here before late November. What will happen meanwhile? Probably repetitive statements by the PRC and the U.S. that the Cambodian question can only be answered by the Cambodians themselves. That would be the best course, but one not favored by the insurgents, who still breathe fire.

Tonight, we had a dinner at home. The guests were Virginia Schafer, Jacques and Madeleine Groothaert (Belgian Ambassador), Roseanne and Bryce Harland (New Zealand Ambassador), Rolph Pauls (West German Ambassador), Jane and John Burns (Toronto Globe).

Obviously, a target for talk was President Ford's decision, announced on the radio here this morning, to pardon ex-President Nixon for any nefarious actions committed during his Presidency.

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I have finished the first issue of the International Review, edited by Peregrine Worsthorne. In his introduction to readers he states: "Our purpose is to show that the area called the European Economic Community happens also to be the area where there is more wit and wisdom per square mile, more beauty and brio, more drama and dialectic, more fun and entertainment, than anywhere else on the face of the globe."

In this number appears an article on Henry Kissinger by Irving Kristol, entitled "The Doctor's Dilemma," in which the author observes: "Precisely because it is impossible to define a nation's 'interests' without taking its 'values' into account, there can be no such thing as an accommodation to other nations' interests -- an accomodation that any world power must make, if it is not to be engaged in a perpetual crusade -- which does not also compromise one's values. A doctrinaire refusal to compromise one's

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